

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE DIVISION

PATRICIA SIMMONDS, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.: 1:20-cv-250

TIENDA PHILLIPS, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-274

NATHAN DAVENPORT, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-276

MELANIE DYER, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-277

NATHAN DAVENPORT, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-278

JEREMY SILVERS, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-280

REGINA MANEY, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-281

DESIREE REILY, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-282

MARTHA KILLIAN, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-283

AMANDA TIMPSON, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-284

SARAH CRAPSE, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-285

HANNAH ALLEN, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-286

TESSA DORSEY, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-287

LIBBY HELMS, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-288

SHALEES GREENLEE, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-289

SAMANTHA TORRES, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-290

KELLY WALKER, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-292

SHEENA DOCKERY, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-293

JESSICA FARQUHAR, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-294

CAINE BURNETTE, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-295

STEPHEN DOWNEY, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-296

CHEYENNE SPICOLA, et al.

Plaintiff,

v.

CHEROKEE COUNTY, et al,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:21-cv-297

STATUS REPORT

COME NOW the parties in the above captioned actions, and make the following report pursuant to the Court's Order directing updates every 45 days:

1. The Plaintiffs have consulted the North Carolina State Bar, seeking feedback on the ethical implications of several mechanisms to facilitate settlement. Plaintiffs hope for feedback from the Bar shortly.

2. Plaintiffs have evaluated the possibility of a global settlement figure, whereby the Defendants will pay a single sum of money, that would then be apportioned among the several Plaintiffs by a neutral referee, appointed by and approved by the Court.
3. Plaintiffs have also considered the viability of settling each individual case in the order it was filed.
4. Plaintiffs and Defendants conferred during a conference call on January 12, 2022 to discuss several matters, including:
 - a. Choosing between different settlement options;
 - b. Whether all sources of settlement funds are authorized and willing to pursue settlement;
 - c. The identity of a mediator; and
 - d. Whether defense counsel will agree to accept service of the complaints naming Lisa Davis in her official capacity, and Donna Crawford in her official capacity.
5. During this conference call, the Parties agreed to use Andy Cromer as a mediator, and also agreed to contact Cromer to schedule a mediation sometime in April. The Parties also agreed to contact their respective clients, and insurers to coordinate a mutually agreed upon mediation date.

6. Counsel for Lisa Davis in her official capacity and Donna Crawford in her official capacity also agreed to accept service on their behalf.

Jointly and respectfully submitted, this 14 day of January, 2202.

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